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Applicant: H. Robert Horvitz et al. Art Unit: 1632  
Serial No.: 09/577,897 Examiner: Ram R. Shukla  
Filed: May 24, 2000 Customer No.: 21559  
Title: CLONING SEQUENCING AND CHARACTERIZATION OF TWO  
CELL DEATH GENES AND USES THEREFOR

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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND  
INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.191

Applicants respectfully appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 22, 2003, in which the Office finally rejected claim six of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including June 22, 2004.

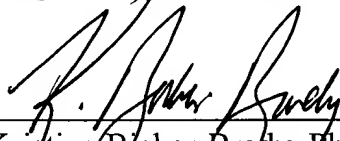
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Respectfully submitted,

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